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Our respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung warmly shakes hands with Samdech Norodom Sihanouk

An Old Man of South Korea Asks Revolutionary Organization to Send His Present of Allegiance

to the Great Leader Marshal KIM IL SUNG

An old man surnamed Kim residing in South Cholla Province, south Korea, asked a revolutionary organization of south Korea to send *Sansam* (wild insam) as a present of loyalty to Marshal Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved leader, according to **Hyokmyong Chonson**, organ of the Central Committee of the Revolutionary Party for Reunification.

It said that the old man made this present, wishing the leader good health and a long life on his 61st birthday.

To prepare a present to the leader, this old man searched the steep ridges and valleys of Mount Chirisan for months last year and found the *Sansam*. He carefully digged it and kept it with all care.

Twenty-three years ago when the People's Army liberated his village in South Cholla Province, the old man, together with many villagers, was given land free of charge thanks to the benevolence of the respected and beloved leader Marshal Kim Il Sung.

Boundlessly longing for the government of the leader, the old man prepared the present of his best wishes as a token of his ardent allegiance to him.

TELEGRAMS

✦ Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, sent a message of greetings to Comrade **Ludvik Svoboda** on the latter's reelection as President of the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic, and received a reply message from him.

✦ Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, and Comrade **Kim Il**, Premier of the DPRK Administration Council, received a message from Samdech **Norodom Sihanouk**, Head of State of Cambodia and Chairman of the National United Front of Kampuchea, and Prince **Penn Nouth**, Chairman of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the NUFK and Prime Minister of the Royal Government of National Union of Cambodia, in reply to their message of greetings on the 3rd anniversary of the formation of the NUFK and the founding of the Cambodian National Liberation People's Armed Forces.

✦ Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, received a message from **Zulfikar Ali Bhutto**, President of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, in reply to his message of greetings sent to the latter on the occasion of the Day of Pakistan.

✦ Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, received a message from Comrade **Ermene Gildo Gasperoni** and Comrade **Umberto Barli** in reply to his message of greetings sent to them on their election respectively as Chairman and General Secretary of the Communist Party of San Marino.

✦ Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, General Secretary of the CC of the WPK and President of the DPRK, and Comrade **Kim Il**, Premier of the DPRK Administration Council, sent a message of greetings to Comrade **Janos Kadar**, First Secretary of the Central Committee of the Hungarian Socialist Workers' Party, Comrade **Pal Losonczi**, President of the Presidium of the Hungarian People's Republic, and Comrade **Jeno Fork**, Chairman of the Council of Ministers of the HPR, on the occasion of the 28th anniversary of the liberation of Hungary, the national holiday of the Hungarian people.

✦ Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, sent a message of sympathy to **Houari Boumedienne**, Chairman of the Council of Revolution and Prime Minister of the Algerian Democratic and People's Republic, upon hearing the news that heavy damages were caused by a big flood recently in some northern areas of Algeria.

✦ Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, sent a message of greetings to **Leopold Sedar Senghor**, President of the Republic of Senegal, on the 13th anniversary of the independence of the Republic of Senegal, and a message of greetings to **Suharto** upon his reelection as President of the Republic of Indonesia.

Samdech NORODOM SIHANOUK, Head of State of Cambodia and Chairman of National United Front of Kampuchea, Pays State Visit to Our Country to Meet President KIM IL SUNG, Our Respected and Beloved Leader, Bringing with Him Happy News of Having Visited Liberated Areas of Cambodia and Met National Liberation People's Armed Forces and People

Arrival in Pyongyang

Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, Head of State of Cambodia and Chairman of the National United Front of Kampuchea, together with Madame Princess Monique Sihanouk, arrived in Pyongyang on April 14 by special plane to pay a state visit to our country to meet President Kim Il Sung, our respected and beloved leader, and celebrate his 61st birthday. He brought with him the happy news of having visited the liberated areas of Cambodia and met the National Liberation People's Armed Forces and people.

His entourage comprises Ieng Sary, Special Envoy from the interior part of the National United Front of Kampuchea and the Royal Government of National Union of Cambodia; Princess Norodom Keth Kanya, Aunt of Head of State; Thiounn Mumn, Minister of Economy and Finance of the Royal Government of National Union of Cambodia; General Daong Sam Ol, Minister of Military Equipment and Armament of the Royal Government of National Union of Cambodia, and his wife; Huot Sambath, Minister of Public Works, Telecommunications and Reconstruction of the Royal Government of National Union of Cambodia; Prince Sisowath Methavi, Director of the Office of Head of State; Van Piny, Second Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Royal Government of National Union of Cambodia, and his wife; Pung Peng Cheng, General Secretary of the High Council of the Throne of the Kingdom of Cambodia and Acting Chief of Protocol, and his wife; Prince Norodom Yuvaneath, son of Head of State; Madame Sar Saoroth, Chief of the Private Secretariat of Head of State; and others.

Our people warmly welcomed the visit of Samdech Norodom Sihanouk and his entourage to our country, hailing his recent successful visit to the liberated areas of Cambodia and the shining successes made by the fraternal Cambodian people in the heroic struggle against U.S. aggression and for national salvation under the correct leadership of the United National Front of Kampuchea headed by Samdech Head of State.

The streets of Pyongyang, the revolutionary capital, were bedecked with various decorations in welcome of the distinguished guests. The route leading to the airport was crowded with hundreds of thousands of welcoming citizens carrying flags of the two countries, flowers and multi-color balloons in their hands.

Put up in place of honour among the welcoming crowd at the airport were a portrait of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved leader of our Party and people, great Marxist-Leninist and revolutionary genius, and a portrait of Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, Head of State of Cambodia and Chairman of the National United Front of Kampuchea.

Crowds were carrying streamers bearing the slogans "Long live Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great leader of our Party and the Korean people!" "Long live Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, Head of State of Cambodia and Chairman of the National United Front of Kampuchea!" "Warm welcome to Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, Head of State of Cambodia and Chairman of the National United Front of Kampucheal" and "Long live the indestructible militant friendship and solidarity between the Korean and Cambodian peoples!"

Our respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, and his wife Comrade Kim Song Ae arrived at the airport before the arrival of the guests.

Present at the airport were Comrades Kang Ryang Uk, Kim Il and his wife, Pak Sung Chul, O Jin U, Kim Dong Gyu, So Chol, Yang Hyong Sop, Li Gun Mo, Rim Chun Chu, Ho Dam and his wife, and Hwang Jang Yop, Chairman of the Standing Committee of the Supreme People's Assembly of the DPRK.

Among the welcomers were Comrade Pak Jae Ro, Vice-Chairman of the Central Standing Committee of Chongryon, who had come to the homeland as adviser of our side to the north-south Red Cross talks, and the members of the Korean press corps from Japan headed by Son Jin Hyong, Deputy Chief of the Editorial Department of **Choson Sinbo**.

There were also ministers of the Administration Council, leading functionaries of the working people's organizations, generals of the Korean People's Army and responsible workers of scientific, educational, cultural, art and press organs.

Ang Kim Khoan, Ambassador, and staff members, of the Royal Embassy of Cambodia, and foreign diplomatic envoys and Cambodian students studying in our country were also present at the airport.

At noon, the special plane carrying the guests appeared in the sky above the airport, escorted by planes of the air force of the Korean People's Army.

The plane softly touched the ground. Samdech Norodom Sihanouk alighted from it, waving to the enthusiastic cheers of the crowds.

Our respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung firmly shook hands with Samdech Norodom Sihanouk and hugged him warmly.

Comrade Kim Song Ae exchanged warm greetings with Madame Princess Monique Sihanouk.

Samdech Norodom Sihanouk and his entourage exchanged greetings with leading cadres of the government and other functionaries of our country as well as foreign diplomatic envoys in Pyongyang.

Little girls presented Samdech Norodom Sihanouk and his entourage with fragrant bouquets of friendship.

A grand function was held at the airport in welcome of Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, Head of State of Cambodia and Chairman of the National United Front of Kampuchea.

The national anthems of Cambodia and the DPRK were played and a 21 gun salute was fired.

Together with our respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, Samdech Norodom Sihanouk reviewed a guard of honour of the three services of the Korean People's Army.

After the welcome ceremony, Samdech Norodom Sihanouk in company with our respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung passed before the crowds, acknowledging their enthusiastic cheers. Then they got into a car and headed for the city.

Hundreds of thousands of Pyongyang citizens enthusiastically welcomed Samdech Norodom Sihanouk along the route.

Courtesy Call

Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, Head of State of Cambodia and Chairman of the National United Front of Kampuchea, and Madame Princess Monique Sihanouk, made a courtesy call on our respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, and his wife Comrade Kim Song Ae in the afternoon of April 14.

Our respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung had a conversation with Samdech Norodom Sihanouk in a cordial and friendly atmosphere.

Banquet

Our respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, and his wife Comrade Kim Song Ae arranged a grand banquet at the Mansudae Assembly Hall in the evening of April 14 in honour of Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, Head of State of Cambodia and Chairman of the National United Front of Kampuchea, and Madame Princess Monique Sihanouk, who are on a state visit to our country.

When our respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and his wife Comrade Kim Song Ae, together with Samdech Norodom Sihanouk and Madame Princess Monique Sihanouk, appeared in the banquet hall amid the loud strains of welcome music, all the attendants rose from their seats and warmly welcomed them with a thunderous applause.

The national anthems of Cambodia and the DPRK were played.

The banquet was addressed by our respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and Samdech Norodom Sihanouk.

The banquet proceeded in a warm

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Working people in Pyongyang, the revolutionary capital, enthusiastically welcome the goodwill mission of the Cambodian people

Our respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and his wife Comrade Kim Song Ae receive Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, Head of State of Cambodia, and Madame Princess Monique Sihanouk who visit them to offer congratulations on the 61st birthday of our leader

Our Respected and Beloved Leader Comrade KIM IL SUNG and His Wife Comrade Kim Song Ae Receive Samdech NORODOM SIHANOUK, Head of State of Cambodia, and Madame Princess Monique Sihanouk Who Visit Them for Congratulation

Our respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, and his wife Comrade Kim Song Ae received on April 15 Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, Head of State of Cambodia and Chairman of the National United Front of Kampuchea, and Madame Princess Monique Sihanouk, who made a call on them to offer congratulations on the 61st birthday of our leader.

Present on the occasion were the entourage of Samdech Norodom Sihanouk and other Cambodian guests.

Also present were leading cadres of our Government.

Samdech Norodom Sihanouk presented Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great leader of our Party and people, with a basket of flowers and gifts with his best wishes for him. He warmly congratulated our leader on his 61st birthday and heartily wished him good health and a long life as well as happiness.

On the occasion the Cambodian guests also presented a basket of flowers to our leader in the name of Prince Penn Nouth, Prime Minister of the Royal Government of National Union of Cambodia.

Samdech Norodom Sihanouk said that he and the Cambodian people greeted the birthday of His Excellency President Kim Il Sung, the great leader, with the same sentiments as the Korean people's. He emphasized that it was the greatest honour and happiness for him to congratulate His Excellency President on his 61st birthday and convey the heartfelt, warm greetings of the Cambodian people to His Excellency President, having again visited Korea after his return from the recent visit to the liberated zone of Cambodia.

Our respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung expressed deep thanks to Samdech Norodom Sihanouk for the fact that he has come a long way in person and offered him warmest congratulations and sincere wishes.

Our leader said that the hearty felicitations and good wishes of Samdech Norodom Sihanouk were an expression of the warm feelings of friendship cherished by Samdech Head of State and the Cambodian people for our people and that our people would deem it an honour and happiness.

We regard Samdech Head of State and the Cambodian people as our real brothers and comrades-in-arms, the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung said, and stressed: the friendship and solidarity between our people and the Cambodian people will be everlasting.

We Are Boundlessly Happy That Samdech Norodom Sihanouk Has Returned Safe and Sound after the Triumphant Fulfilment of His Important Mission of Visiting the Liberated Areas, and Warmly Congratulate Him on His Successes

Speech of President KIM IL SUNG

at Banquet

Esteemed Samdech Norodom Sihanouk and Madame Princess Monique Sihanouk,

Esteemed Ieng Sary, Special Envoy from the interior part,

Esteemed and distinguished guests of Cambodia,

Comrades and friends,

Today it gives us great pleasure to meet again and sit together with Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, the outstanding leader of the Cambodian people and our closest friend, in an atmosphere overflowing with the feelings of fraternal friendship like this.

First of all, I, in the name of the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Korean people and in my own name and the name of my wife, warmly welcome Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, Head of State of Cambodia and Chairman of the National United Front of Kampuchea, Madame Princess Monique Sihanouk and other distinguished guests of Cambodia.

I also avail myself of this opportunity to extend warm encouragement and fraternal greetings to the Cambodian people and all the combatants of the National Liberation People's Armed Forces of Cambodia who are performing heroic exploits in the just liberation struggle against U.S. imperialism and its stooges.

This time Samdech Head of State Norodom Sihanouk has come to our country, bringing with him the happy news of the personal visit he paid to the vast liberated areas of Cambodia for a little over one month at a time when an ever brighter prospect of decisive victory was opening up in the anti-U.S. national salvation struggle of the Cambodian people.

Upon hearing the news that Samdech Head of State was back from his visit to the liberated areas of his fatherland, we were deeply moved by his valiant action and we highly appraised it as a matter of great significance at home and abroad.

Samdech Head of State's visit to the liberated areas, which was made at a time when the patriotic forces of Cambodia were scoring brilliant battle results on all fronts, constitutes a great encouragement to the fighting Cambodian people and an irreparable, heavy blow to U.S. imperialism and its lackeys. This is an epoch-making event which demonstrated to the people at home and abroad the rock-firm unity and cohesion of the national resistance movement in Cambodia and opened up a new phase for the complete victory of the liberation struggle. It is a splendid fruition of the indefatigable struggle of Samdech Norodom Sihanouk who unswervingly maintains the principled stand of anti-imperialist struggle in any adversity and who remains faithful to the end to the responsibilities he has assumed before the Cambodian nation as its Head of State.

I am boundlessly happy that Samdech Norodom Sihanouk has returned safe and sound after the triumphant fulfilment of his important mission of visiting the liberated areas. I take this opportunity to warmly congratulate him on his successes.

At the same time, I regard the visit of Samdech Head of State to our country soon after his visit to the liberated areas as an expression of his deep trust in us and his firm militant friendship with us, for which I express my deep thanks to him.

Indeed, in the past three years of national sufferings the Cambodian people and the National Liberation People's Armed Forces of Cambodia rallied ever closer around the National United Front of Kampuchea led by Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, the only legitimate Head of State, have dealt a fatal blow to the U.S. aggressors and their stooges, the traitorous Lon Nol-Sirik Matak-Son Ngoc Thanh clique, and already liberated the most parts of their country, overcoming all difficulties, and have now entered a decisive stage of liberating the whole country.

At present, in a last-ditch effort to recover from their setbacks and save the Lon Nol clique from ruin, the U.S. authorities are daily intensifying barbarous bombing raids on the liberated areas of Cambodia and hatching a new, insidious plot to extend their aggressive war.

We resolutely denounce the U.S. imperialists for their continued acts of intervention and aggression against Cambodia and warn them that if they embark on a new military adventure against the Cambodian people, they will be plunging themselves deeper into the quagmire of an irrevocable, miserable ruin.

The U.S. imperialist aggressors should pull out of Cambodia at once and the Cambodian question be solved only on the basis of the 5-point statement of Samdech Norodom Sihanouk dated March 23, 1970.

Today the Royal Government of National Union under the leadership of the National United Front of Kampuchea enjoys the full support and trust of all the people as the sole legitimate government which has taken its root deep among the people at home. It is being recognized formally by more and more countries of the world with the result that its international position is rising exceptionally high.

We are convinced that the day will come before long when the National United Front of Kampuchea and the National Liberation People's Armed Forces of Cambodia will liberate Phnom Penh and, further, completely liberate all Cambodia.

The victory of the Cambodian people is precisely the victory of our people.

I once again assure you that the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Korean people will, in the future, too, do everything in their power to give active support to the Cambodian people till they win a final victory in their struggle to liberate the whole land of Cambodia and build a new, independent, peaceable, neutral, democratic and prosperous Cambodia.

Now the national liberation struggle is going on victoriously in Cambodia; agreements on restoring peace in Viet Nam and Laos were concluded some time ago; and the last batch of the U.S. aggressor troops has already withdrawn from South Viet Nam. This glaringly shows that the U.S. imperialist policy of Asian aggression is going bankrupt totally.

The U.S. aggressors are being driven out of Asia but no doubt, they do not want to pull out meekly.

In violation of the Paris Agreement on Viet Nam, the U.S. imperialists are instigating the puppet clique of South Viet Nam to maintain the state of war in South Viet Nam and hampering the peaceful reunification of Viet Nam. In Laos they are also egging the reactionary forces on to continue disturbing peace.

We denounce the United States for such continued acts of aggression and intervention, and express our firm solidarity with the entire Vietnamese people in their righteous struggle to ensure the correct implementation of the Paris Agreement on Viet Nam, build socialism in the north, safeguard peace, independence and sovereignty and achieve democracy and national harmony in the south and realize the peaceful reunification of their country.

We also express our firm solidarity with the Laotian people in their righteous struggle to build a peaceable, democratic, neutral, unified, independent, and prosperous Laos.

Comrades and friends,

Today the general international situation keeps developing in favour of the revolution.

The U.S. imperialists are sustaining one defeat after another everywhere in Asia and the world and going to rack and ruin constantly.

The United States authorities are obstinately seeking to wriggle out of such a predicament and maintain their colonial domination over various countries in the world.

In Korea, the U.S. imperialists unleashed a war long ago only to suffer defeats. But still refusing to withdraw, they are interfering in the internal affairs of our country and hindering the Koreans from reunifying their country by themselves independently and peacefully.

But the U.S. authorities should know that with no amount of manoeuvres can they reverse the current of the world which has already been adverse to them.

They must withdraw their aggressor troops scattered in the world and give up their futile attempt to use their puppets for making Asians fight among themselves in Asia, the peoples of the Near and Middle East fight among themselves in the Near and Middle East and the Africans fight among themselves in Africa, in accordance with the "Nixon doctrine."

We consider that, if the U.S. authorities truly want the preservation of peace in Korea and the peaceful solution of the question of her reunification, they will have no more need to deliberately keep a state of military confrontation with us and they should withdraw their troops stationed in south Korea under the signboard of the "UN forces" and have the "United Nations Commission for the Unification and Rehabilitation of Korea" dissolved, as is clarified in the letter to the parliaments and governments of all countries of the world and the letter to the Congress of the United States adopted at the recent Second Session of the Fifth Supreme People's Assembly of our country.

The time has already gone when the imperialist powers could meddle in the internal affairs of other countries at will and now it has become an irresistible trend of the times that all countries, big and small, take the road of independence.

The Korean people will, in the future, too, fight on staunchly against imperialism and for peace, democracy, national independence and the victory of the cause of socialism in unity with the peoples of the socialist countries, in unity with the peoples of Asia, Africa and Latin America and in unity with all the peace-loving peoples of the world.

Our people always value the fraternal friendship and solidarity formed with

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Entrusted by All Resistance Leaders in the Interior of Cambodia and All the Combatants of the NLPAFC, I Convey to Your Excellency Marshal KIM IL SUNG Their Most Respectful and Admiring Salutations

Speech of Samdech NORODOM SIHANOUK

at Banquet

Most respected and beloved Your Excellency Mr. Marshal Kim Il Sung, President of the Republic,

Most respected Madame Chairman Kim Song Ae,

Respected Your Excellency Vice-President of the Republic Choi Yong Kun and Madame,

Respected Your Excellency Premier Kim Il and Madame,

Respected your excellencies messieurs and mesdames high authorities of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea,

Esteemed Korean, Chinese and Vietnamese brothers and sisters,

Esteemed your excellencies messieurs and mesdames members of the diplomatic corps,

Dear friends,

Dear compatriots,

It is the greatest happiness and the greatest honour for me and my wife to have been able to come again to the glorious, brilliant, so developed and so beautiful Democratic People's Republic of Korea by grace of the constant benevolence and of invariable and affectionate friendship shown to us by His Excellency Marshal Kim Il Sung, the most respected and beloved great leader of the Korean people and most illustrious President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, and most respected Madame Chairman Kim Song Ae.

Permit us to express most profound and most emotional thanks for this.

Permit us to express, at the same time, heartfelt and warmest thanks to His Excellency President and Madame and the fraternal heroic Korean people for the grand welcome accorded us and for this magnificent banquet given in honour of us who have come back after successfully fulfilling our mission in the liberated zone of Cambodia, our fatherland.

Most respected Your Excellency Mr. Marshal, President of the Republic,

During my voyage and historical sojourn in Cambodia I always thought of His Excellency, my most admired and beloved brother and one of the greatest heroes of our Asia and one of the persons rendering the greatest and most powerful support to our people in the fight against U.S. imperialism, most formidable and most cruel imperialism in history.

I was entrusted by Messieurs Khieu Samphan, Hou Youn and Hu Nim, and all other resistance leaders in the interior of Cambodia and all the combatants of the National Liberation People's Armed Forces of Cambodia to convey to Your Excellency their most respectful and admiring salutations and their most profound and eternal thanks for the constant assistance and all-out and effective support rendered by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to us in all spheres and most warmly wish His Excellency good health and longevity and happiness, and total victory in the struggle against U.S. imperialism and its stooges and for the attainment of the peaceful reunification of Korea under his most illustrious leadership.

Our compatriots, members of the national resistance in the interior of Cambodia deeply admire the great successes made by Korea in all domains of national and communist building of Korea under your personal leadership.

Under your genius and supreme patriotic guidance the Democratic People's Republic of Korea has turned relatively in a short period into a veritable earthly paradise, most developed and powerful in all spheres, social, economic, cultural, technical, scientific and military, etc.

Our compatriots in the homeland firmly believe that the enthusiastic example of Korea led by Marshal Kim Il Sung will be a wonderful and exalting inspiration to carrying out the vast task of national reconstruction after the end of the armed struggle for saving the country and for the complete liberation of the fatherland.

Most respected Your Excellency Mr. Marshal, President of the Republic,

In your most important and moving speech you warmly congratulated me on having successfully fulfilled the historic mission among national resistants of the Khmer people under perilous conditions.

Permit me to express once again profound thanks to Your Excellency for this in the name of the NUFK, RGNUC and NLPAFC.

Your Excellency consider the success of the mission as a great victory over U.S. imperialism and its valets.

I would like to emphasize this victory is your victory and the victory of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. Because you have extended militant solidarity and multiform aid and total support to us when our nation was in the most trying period in its history. You have made a great contribution to the success in our sacred struggle for saving the country and to the national salvation struggle of the peoples of the third world, victims of international imperialism, colonialism and neo-colonialism and racists of certain white powers.

The D.P.R.K., P.R.C. and 35 sovereign states which accorded a legal recognition to the Royal Government of National Union of Cambodia as the only legitimate government of the Khmer State and Khmer people know well the realities of our Cambodia fundamentally different from the vicious propaganda of our enemies.

But certain countries even among the countries which love justice and peace and freedom, entrapped by the propaganda, considered Norodom Sihanouk as simple Head of State in exile having no national territory and government in the homeland and did not attach importance to the NUFK, RGNUC and NLPAFC.

I and the leaders of the national resistance in the interior of Cambodia consider that Norodom Sihanouk is Head of State, head of the national resistance officially recognized by the Khmer people and Khmer resistants of various strata: the three most powerful and popular responsible men of the interior resistance Messrs. Khieu Samphan, Hou Youn and Hu Nim are alive and carrying on their patriotic activities: the NLPAFC are not organized with Vietnamese but with Khmers; the RGNUC is not a government in exile but exists and functions as a government in the national territory: the people of all walks of life of Cambodia actually support the NUFK, the RGNUC, the NLPAFC and Norodom Sihanouk.

Most respected and beloved Your Excellency Mr. Marshal, President of the Republic,

Please accept the emotional sentiments of thanks of me, Khmer people, their National United Front, their Royal Government of National Union and the National Liberation People's Armed Forces to Your Excellency.

Most respected and beloved Your Excellency Mr. Marshal, President of the Republic,

Most respected Madame Chairman Kim Song Ae,

Respected hosts,

Respected Madame Nguyen Thi Binh,

Dear friends,

Dear compatriots,

Jealous of and uneasy about the incessant and grand success of the Khmer people in the struggle against the U.S. imperialist aggressors and their valets, the latter and the powers which find themselves in the same camp with them tried to discredit the NUFK, the RGNUC and the NLPAFC in the eyes of the world.

It has become clear their false propaganda arbitrarily affirmed that Norodom Sihanouk is no more than a Head of State fallen, rejected by his people and living in exile in a foreign land, without any possibility of returning to his homeland; that the NUFK is a front disunited and composed of many groups of resistants ignorant of and even detesting each other; that the "Khmer Reds," who play a predominant role in the resistance in the interior of Cambodia, do not recognize Norodom Sihanouk as the legal Head of the Khmer State or as head of the national resistance against U.S. imperialism and its valets; that the NLPAFC is no more than units of the South Viet Nam National Front for Liberation and the Democratic Republic of Viet Nam; lastly, that the popular heroes Khieu Samphan, Hou Youn and Hu Nim have long been dead and their names serve simply as a "screen" for hiding the "invasion" of Cambodia by "the Vietnamese communists."

Today U.S. imperialism, its valets and its accomplices are in despair as regards the Cambodian problem, because my mission and my sojourn throughout March 1973 resulted in bringing all the proofs mentioned above; not negligible part of which I presented and will present in the form of photographs and films to the valiant fraternal Korean people and their glorious respected and beloved leader His Excellency Marshal Kim Il Sung.

Your Excellency was so good as to say that my recent sojourn in Cambodia where the war is raging, amid the fighting Khmer people and in the midst of the Khmer resistance waged in face of the most barbaric and most violent aerial aggression of U.S. imperialism, constituted a powerful stimulus to the Khmer people and the National Liberation People's Armed Forces.

In fact, ever since March 1973 our people and their National Liberation People's Armed Forces have mounted incessant offensive and won continuous victories against the mercenary armed forces of traitor Lon Nol. The military success of the NUFK is so splendid that President Richard Nixon, chief of U.S. imperialism, was constrained to take the following measures:

Firstly, established an aerial bridge, like for West Berlin, several years ago, for the purpose of saving Phnom Penh from total suffocation because the NLPAFC have cut all the land and wa-

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Colourful Functions Held in Celebration of

the 61st Birthday of the Respected and Beloved Leader Comrade KIM IL SUNG

Our people greet the significant 61st birthday of their respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung at a time when they are effecting a greater revolutionary upsurge in socialist construction.

On this gala day of April, all the people, representing their feelings of boundless respect and reverence, extend the highest honour and gratitude to the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung who founded the great *Juche* idea and, brightly illuminating the road ahead of our revolution with its brilliant rays, leads our people along the path of victory and glory, happiness and prosperity. At the same time, they sincerely wish him good health and a long life.

On the auspicious day various meetings and functions took place in our country.

Put up on the background of the platform of each meeting was the portrait of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved leader of our Party and people, great Marxist-Leninist and revolutionary genius.

Central Lecture Meeting

On April 14, a central lecture meeting was held at the Mansudae Assembly Hall in Pyongyang.

Present at the meeting were Members and Alternate Members of the Political Committee of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea; Members of the Secretariat of the Party Central Committee; Members of the Central People's Committee and the Administration Council; cadres of the Party and government organs, economic institutions, the People's Army and working people's organizations; men in the fields of science, education, culture, public health, arts and the press; and anti-Japanese revolutionary fighters.

A lecture was given on the subject "The Respected and Beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung Is the Affectionate Father of Our People Who Is Possessed of the Noblest Communist Virtues."

Lecture meetings were also held by working people's organizations and in different parts of the country.

Meeting of Joint Organizations of KYPC

A grand meeting of the Pyongyang city joint organizations of the Korean Young Pioneers Corps was held on the 15th at Mangyongdae, the cradleland of revolution.

The meeting adopted amid loud applause and cheers of the attendants a letter of pledge to Marshal Kim Il Sung, the great leader of our Party and people.

Then, grand formalities of Young Pioneers began.

An open car, carrying a flag bearing a portrait of the leader and escorted by Young Pioneers' motorcycles, slowly entered the stadium, followed by an open car on which was hoisted a flag of the joint organizations of the Korean Young Pioneers Corps. That moment the Young Pioneers sang in chorus the "Song of General Kim Il Sung" at the top of their voice.

After the report there was a ceremony for the admission of Pyongyang children into the Young Pioneers Corps and congratulatory speeches were made. Then followed a dynamic parade of Young Pioneers and Young Red Guardsmen. The mass display "Mangyongdae Where the Sun of the Revolution Rose" was also performed.

Similar Young Pioneers' meetings took place in different places of the country.

National Forum of Social Sciences

A national forum of social sciences was held in Pyongyang under the auspices of the Academy of Social Sciences.

At the forum the Vice-President of the Academy of Social Sciences and rectors, vice-rectors and teachers of the Kim Il Sung Political Institute, the Institute of National Economy of the Workers' Party of Korea, the Pyongyang Communist College, the International Affairs Institute and the First Pyongyang Normal College made public papers including "The Respected and Beloved Leader Comrade Kim Il Sung Is Revolutionary Genius and a Great Thinker and Theoretician."

The papers presented by them give theoretical expositions of the great *Juche* idea created by the leader and the creativeness and correctness of the theories of revolution and construction, which he expounded in an original way on the basis of the *Juche* idea. They also deal with the sagacity of the guidance of the leader and his lofty virtues.

Meanwhile, a national photo exhibition was arranged at the Korean Revolution Museum to show the historic sites of revolution. In front of the statue of the leader flanked by the grand monuments on the Mansudae Hill working people in Pyongyang had a gathering to take the oath of loyalty to the leader. At the Moranbong Youth Open-theatre there was a get-together of youth and students in Pyongyang who sang the songs of allegiance to the leader.

Besides, athletic meets, art circle performances, soirees and various other celebration events were held in Pyongyang and localities. Greeting the meaningful holiday, the working people pledged themselves to remain loyal to the leader who dedicates himself to the welfare of the people all his life.

The opening ceremony for the meeting of the Pyongyang city joint organizations of the Korean Young Pioneers Corps

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the Cambodian people in the struggle against the common enemy and for the realization of the common aspiration.

Samdech Head of State's current visit to our country will register another brilliant chapter in the history of the friendship between our two peoples.

Today at this happy moment of meeting again here in Pyongyang Samdech Head of State Norodom Sihanouk, our comrade-in-arms, brother and most intimate friend, and his entourage, I propose a toast to the ultimate victory of the Cambodian people in their anti-U.S., national salvation struggle, to the indestructible militant friendship and solidarity between the Korean people and the Cambodian people, to the solidarity of the progressive peoples in Asia and the world, to the long life and good health of Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, the outstanding leader of the Cambodian people and a staunch anti-imperialist fighter, and Madame Princess Monique Sihanouk, to the health of Ieng Sary, Special Envoy from the interior part, to the health of the distinguished guests of Cambodia, to the health of Foreign Minister Mrs. Nguyen Thi Binh, head of the delegation of the South Viet Nam National Front for Liberation and the Provisional Revolutionary Government of the Republic of South Viet Nam and the members of the delegation now on a friendship visit to our country and present here, to the health of the diplomatic envoys of various countries and their wives, and to the health of all comrades and friends present here.

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ter routes of communications around the capital of Khmer, the last den of the traitors and U.S. neo-colonialism;

Secondly, carried out an urgent evacuation of the families of the embassies of the U.S. and satellites to Bangkok;

Thirdly, threw against the NLPAFC and the small Khmer people all the U.S. aircraft available in Southeast Asia including 120 B-52s and scores of F-105s, F-111s, AC-130s, which are all the more murderous;

Fourthly, made U.S. General Alexander Haig negotiate the return of the Saigon troops and dispatch of Bangkok troops to Cambodia to save the Lon Nol clique and the U.S. neo-colonialist system established in Phnom Penh and 10 per cent of the national territory not yet liberated by the NUFK.

Thus, at this moment, my small country is the only country in war in the world and open to the most barbaric and most violent aerial attack in history.

Conscious that by facing resolutely and heroically the U.S. aggression they are not only fighting for their own national salvation, but also for that of other peoples, the Khmer people have the honour of earnestly appealing to the socialist countries and other countries which love justice, peace and liberty to aid the Khmer people to win victory, in other words, bring victory to the common idea of all our peoples by precipitating the fall of the regime of the arch war criminal Lon Nol and that of the U.S. neo-colonialist protectorate in Phnom Penh.

This aid is not military but diplomatic. The Khmer people request those countries, if they have not done so yet, to sever all their relations with the socalled "Republic of Khmer," a creature of U.S. imperialism, and support the RGNUC, the only Cambodian government of the Khmer people, and lawfully recognize it.

Only by the utilization of this noble means can peace come to Cambodia very fast and the security of Southeast Asia and consequently of the world be assured.

It is with these sentiments that I have the greatest honour and greatest happiness, in the name of all the Khmer people, their NUFK, RGNUC and NLPAFC, to extend to His Excellency Mr. Marshal Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved great leader of the Korean people, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, our warmest and admiring felicitations on the occasion of his glorious 61st birthday, the fete all the Korean people celebrate with unbounded pride and enthusiastic and fervent joy, and entreat most respected His Excellency Marshal and Madame Kim Il Sung to accept our fervent wishes for good health, longevity, happiness and total victory in their patriotic struggle for the peaceful reunification of Korea.

For the realization of all these fervent wishes, allow me to propose to all the prominent personalities and all the friends present here to drink a toast.

Chinese People's Great Support to the Korean People

The Standing Committee of the National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China and the Government of the People's Republic of China Send a Letter to the Standing Committee of the Supreme People's Assembly and the Government of Our Republic in Support of the Korean People's Cause of National Reunification

The Standing Committee of the National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China and the Government of the People's Republic of China sent a letter on April 11 to the Standing Committee of the Supreme People's Assembly and the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea in reply to the letter of the Supreme People's Assembly of the DPRK addressed to the parliaments and governments of all countries of the world. The letter reads in full:

To the Standing Committee of the Supreme People's Assembly of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

The Standing Committee of the National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China and the Government of the People's Republic of China have received the letter dated April 6 of the Supreme People's Assembly of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to the parliaments and governments of all countries. This letter reclarifies the just position and the reasonable propositions of the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea on the independent and peaceful reunification of the country and expresses the entire Korean people's strong desire to terminate foreign intervention in Korea's internal affairs and promote the independent and peaceful reunification of the country. This is a fresh effort made by the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to promote the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea. The Chinese Government and people extend their resolute support and encouragement to it.

The Korean people have been suffering from the division of their country for 28 years.

An early realization of the peaceful reunification of the country is their long-cherished national aspiration.

The Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea has made consistent efforts for the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea and put forward a series of reasonable propositions and concrete proposals. Thanks to the initiative and vigorous activities of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, north and south Korea eventually entered into contact and dialogue and issued a north-south joint statement on July 4 last year, and an important step forward was made in the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea. This not only accords with the national interests of the entire Korean people but also is conducive to the relaxation of tension in Asia and it has received a welcome and support from the people of various countries.

At present the most pressing problem is to terminate foreign intervention in Korea's internal affairs so as to create favourable conditions for its independent and peaceful reunification. It is unthinkable apart from U.S. intervention and obstruction that the problem of Korea's reunification has not been solved for many years.

The United States still keeps its troops stationed in south Korea and is constantly increasing the military strength of south Korea, thereby obstructing the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea.

In particular, the present situation in which north and south Korea are holding a dialogue gives the United States no reason for stationing its troops in south Korea any longer. The Chinese Government and people have always maintained that the United States should withdraw its troops from south Korea and stop interfering in Korea's internal affairs, and that the "United Nations Commission for the Unification and Rehabilitation of Korea" must be dissolved. Only in this way can the reunification of Korea be achieved by peaceful means on the principle of national self-determination.

The trend of history is irresistible and no force on earth can hinder the Korean people's just cause of national reunification.

The Chinese and Korean peoples are comrades-in-arms and brothers who have fought shoulder to shoulder in their protracted common struggle.

The Chinese Government and people have always been greatly concerned for the Korean people's cause of national reunification. We will, as always, resolutely support the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Korean people in their just struggle against foreign intervention and for the realization of the independent and peaceful reunification of their country. We believe that the Korean people, under the wise leadership of the Workers' Party of Korea and President Kim Il Sung and with the support and encouragement of the people of the whole world, will certainly win final victory in their just struggle.

The Standing Committee of the National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China, the Government of the People's Republic of China

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atmosphere overflowing with militant unity and fraternal friendship.

Photo Exhibition

Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, Head of State of Cambodia and Chairman of the National United Front of Kampuchea, who was on a state visit to our country at the invitation of our respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung arranged a photo exhibition at the Mansudae Assembly Hall in Pyongyang on April 14. On display at the exhibition were more than 200 photographs showing his recent visit to liberated areas of Cambodia.

Our respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, and his wife Comrade Kim Song Ae were shown round the exhibition by Samdech Norodom Sihanouk and Madame Princess Monique Sihanouk.

After seeing the exhibition, our respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung said that Samdech Head of State had done a great work through his visit to the liberated areas and that the photographs were very fine and inspiring. He expressed his thanks to Samdech Norodom Sihanouk for the invitation to the exhibition.

He added that the entire Cambodian people, inspired by the visit of Samdech Head of State to the liberated areas, would further hasten final victory.

Seeing Revolutionary Opera

Our respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and his wife Comrade Kim Song Ae, together with Samdech Norodom Sihanouk and Madame Princess Monique Sihanouk, saw the revolutionary opera "Song of Mt. Kumgang-san" at the Pyongyang Art Theatre on the evening of April 15.

When our respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and his wife Comrade Kim Song Ae, together with Samdech Norodom Sihanouk and Madame Princess Monique Sihanouk appeared in the box amid the loud strains of the welcome music, the audience rose from their seats and warmly welcomed them with loud cheers of *manse* (hurrah) and a prolonged, thunderous applause.

The revolutionary opera "Song of Mt. Kumgang-san," which brilliantly embodies our leader's *Juche*-based idea on literature and art and his original policy for creating revolutionary operas, was loudly applauded by the audience for its rich ideological content and high artistic value.

After the performance Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, Head of State of Cambodia, in company with our respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, mounted the stage to present a basket of flowers to the artists in congratulation of their successful performance and posed for a photograph with them.

A Film Show

Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, Head of State of Cambodia, arranged a film show on April 15. A documentary on his visit to liberated areas of Cambodia was displayed there.

Our respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and his wife Comrade Kim Song Ae saw the film together with Samdech Norodom Sihanouk and Madame Princess Monique Sihanouk.

After seeing the film, our respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung highly praised the film, saying that it was a very splendid historical documentary, and expressed his deep thanks to Samdech Norodom Sihanouk for having shown him such a fine picture.

He noted that the documentary would help understand clearly how much the Cambodian Communists love Samdech Norodom Sihanouk and how much Samdech Head of State loves the Communists, and, therefore, would deal a heavy blow at those who argue that a united front cannot be formed with the Communists.

Sweden Recognizes DPRK, Diplomatic Relations Established between Two Countries

The State Council of Sweden decided at its meeting on April 6 that Sweden recognizes the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, according to a report from Stockholm.

Meanwhile, Ho Dam, Foreign Minister of the DPRK, received a message from Krister Wickman, Foreign Minister of Sweden, proposing the establishment of diplomatic relations between Sweden and the DPRK on behalf of the Swedish Government.

On April 7 Foreign Minister Ho Dam sent his reply to Swedish Foreign Minister, informing that he, on behalf of the DPRK Government, agrees to the proposal of the Swedish Government.

Thus, diplomatic relations were established at ambassadorial level between the two countries.

Finnish Government Decides to Recognize DPRK

An increasing number of countries are inclined to recognize the Democratic People's Republic of Korea as its authority and prestige are rising day after day thanks to the independent and principled foreign policy of our Party.

According to a report from Helsinki, the Finnish Government decided on April 6 to recognize the DPRK.

Our Foreign Ministry Spokesman Denounces the U.S. Imperialist Aggressors

for Their Acceleration of Preparations for New Aggressive War in Korea

The spokesman of the Foreign Ministry of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea issued on April 5 a statement castigating the U.S. imperialists who have recently stepped up still further their preparations to unleash a new war of aggression in Korea.

The statemert pointed to the fact that under the signboard of the "UN Command" the U.S. imperialist aggression army which is in occupation of south Korea would stage the "mobile exercise 73," a "south Korea-U.S. joint landing exercise," in the area along the southeastern coast early in April.

It is said that at the dictates of the U.S. imperialists the south Korean navy would continue till May 5 the "naval exercise" started already on March 28 in the waters southeast of Koje-do Island in the South Sea, the statement added.

It pungently denounced the large-scale war exercises of the U.S. imperialist aggressors as an extremely grave criminal act intended to aggravate the tension in our country and obstruct the cause of the country's peaceful reunification.

It said that even after the publication of the north-south joint statement the U.S. imperialist aggressors continuously introduced new-type fighter planes, destroyers and other modern weapons and combat equipment into south Korea from the U.S. mainland and frequently staged large-scale war exercises with the object of attacking the northern half of the Republic.

The recent successive large-scale war exercises of the U.S. imperialist aggressors are aimed at fanning up a war climate, perpetuating the division of Korea and, furthermore, realizing their aggressive ambition against the whole of Korea.

It is by no means fortuitous that a few days ago U.S. defence secretary Richardson, putting stress on "aid" to south Korea, raved that "the U.S. army should be continuously stationed" in south Korea so that south Korea may conduct the dialogue with the north, the statement said.

It went on:

The south Korean authorities are kicking up an "anti-communist" racket and spurring on war preparations behind the curtain of the dialogue, openly violating the agreed points mentioned in the north-south joint statement. This is part of the manoeuvres of the U.S. imperialists to push ahead with their plan for new war provocation.

All facts show that unless the U.S. troops are withdrawn from south Korea, the reinforcement of armed forces and expansion of armaments discontinued and the tension and the state of military confrontation between the north and the south removed, a dialogue cannot be held with faithfulness between the north and the south, nor can any questions related to reunification be solved successfully.

The statement stressed:

The U.S. imperialists must stop reckless war exercises and get out of south Korea without delay, taking along their aggressive armed forces.

The south Korean authorities must maintain the independence of the nation, breaking away from dependence on outside forces, and respond to our reasonable proposal for putting an end to the present state of military confrontation between the north and the south.

If the U.S. imperialists persist in the new war provocation manoeuvres, disregarding our repeated warnings, they will be held entirely responsible for all the consequences arising therefrom.

Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, Head of State of Cambodia and Chairman of the National United Front of Kampuchea, Visits Liberated Areas

Affecting Meetings with Members of Armed Forces and People

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Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, Head of State of Cambodia and Chairman of the National United Front of Kampuchea, and Madame Princess Monique Sihanouk recently visited the liberated areas of Cambodia for over one month.

He was accompanied by Ieng Sary, Special Envoy from the interior part of the National United Front of Kampuchea and the Royal Government of National Union of Cambodia.

The visit to the homeland of Samdech Norodom Sihanouk was made at a time when the offensive of the National Liberation People's Armed Forces of Cambodia and the anti-U.S., anti-puppet struggle of the people in the enemy-held area were intensified.

In his beloved homeland Samdech Norodom Sihanouk visited different places of the liberated areas and had impressive meetings with Khieu Samphan, Vice-Prime Minister of the RGNUC and Commander-in-Chief of the NLPAFC, Hou Youn, Minister of Interior, Hu Nim, Minister of Information and other leading members of the National United Front of Kampuchea, the Royal Government of National Union of Cambodia and the National Liberation People's Armed Forces of Cambodia, who are leading the just anti-U.S., national salvation resistance war in the homeland and held a council of ministers and other important meetings. Everywhere he met workers, peasants, soldiers, youth and students, intellectuals and monks and other strata of people and received an enthusiastic welcome from them.

During his visit to the homeland, mass meetings were held in different places of the liberated areas in celebration of the 3rd anniversary of the founding of the National United Front of Kampuchea and he himself attended the meeting of the ten thousand people held near Angkor Wat.

The recent homeland visit of Samdech Norodom Sihanouk is great event in the anti-U.S., national salvation struggle of the Cambodian people and has an epochal significance in leading the struggle to final victory. It proved clearly the invincible might of the Cambodian people in the anti-U.S., national salvation resistance war and demonstrated internally and externally the sock-firm unity and cohesion of the patriotic resistance forces of Cambodia.

Below are given some of the photographs taken during his visit to his homeland.

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A historical event: the first council of the ministers of the RGNUC held in the presence of the Head of State in the forest of the Angkor

↑ Emotion and joy of reunion: Prince Norodom Sihanouk and Princess Monique Sihanouk with Mr. Khieu Samphan, leader of the interior resistance in a forest of Stung Treng Province

↓ The troop of the NLPAFC inspected by the Head of State

↑ Prince Norodom Sihanouk is warmly welcomed by young combatants of the NLPAFC

← Affectionate reunion: From left: Prince Sihanouk, Mr. Hou Youn (Minister of Interior of the RGNUC) and Mr. Hu Nim (Minister of Information of the RGNUC)

Journey to a bivouac

Young patriots (NUFK) applauding the speech of the Head of State at a grand meeting

The greatest emotion! Arrival at Angkor Wat, the symbol of eternity and immortal glory of Kampuchea and the Khmers, now the symbol of the great victory of the NUFK, the RGNUC and the NLPAFC against U.S. imperialism and its vassals

Welcome accorded by Mr. Koy Thuon, Governor of the Region of Siemreap-Kompong Thom, and his wife

↑ Prince Sihanouk in cordial conversation with a delegation of Buddhist monks and faithfuls (Siemreap Province)

→ Artistic representation. A young woman combatant chanting "Long live the Head of State, Chairman of our NUFK!" composed specially on the occasion of the return of the Prince to the country

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